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AMENDMENT

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph 25 as follows:

In another embodiment of the present invention, the rubber tube 120, as illustrated in Figure 3, includes a plurality of seal beads 158 positioned on the exterior surface 160 of the neck 156 of the rubber hose 120. The seal beads 158 assist in the sealing of the rubber hose 160-120 to the hose neck 32 of the resonator 14. Additionally, the rubber hose 120 includes a substantially arrow shaped first end 134 including an angled face 136 which assists with the insertion of the tube 18. An annual retention projection 162 is spaced from the first end 134 at a distance substantially equal to the length of the hose neck 32. Once the rubber hose 120 is positioned within the resonator 14, the retention projection 162 substantially contacts an exterior surface 58 (illustrated in Figure 2) of the resonator 14, retaining the rubber hose 120 within the resonator 14. Additionally, internal beads 137 can be utilized in the rubber hose 120 to aid in sealing or to provide insertion forces on the tapered insertion end 44.